**Evergreen Chapter - American Society for Public Administration**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES**

**Friday, November 2, 2018, 4:00p.m.**

Participating: Aye Nay Abye, Lucky Anguelol, Kaha Arte, Dave Broom, Tricia Diamond, Kevin Harris, Mary Van Verst, Nicole Vukonich, and Charles (Chuck) Wallace

Not in Attendance: Clifford Armstrong, Ben Brunjes, Chrystal Chang, Mark Sullivan

This was the second meeting of the new board, since our in-person meeting on August 26.

1. Call to Order

Tricia called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. when the majority of board members had joined the call. She welcomed everyone.

1. Approval of Past Minutes

Mary reported that the minutes from our last meeting were sent out in early September to everyone. There had been no revisions. Motions were carried and the board approved the minutes from our August 26, 2018 in-person meeting.

1. Reports

N/A as on the agenda.

1. Old Business

Student Representatives on the board: Aye Nay reported that she had reached out to students at Seattle U. Someone is interested. She asked how they should apply.

Mary responded that a statement of interest from the student should be obtained and shared with the board. This can be done by email in between our monthly meetings. With agreement from a majority of our board, our president can then appoint the student, reaching out to them by email with a welcome, and inviting them to the next meeting.

Lucky said he knows of a couple of students from Evergreen who are interested. He will get back to them with a request to write a statement of interest.

Kevin reported that he had passed the torch on this matter to Ben for the University of Washington.

1. New Business

In follow-up to our last meeting, Tricia met with Michael Jacobson to go over potential programs for the board to host or co-sponsor. At this time, she is leaning toward an information session for mid-career administrators in King County, and a Pacific NW Regional Conference in 2020 with the Oregon Chapter.

Tricia would also like to co-host a mini session in partnership with Washington Association of School Administrators after identifying something on their calendar for 2019. As next steps, she would like to create a timeline.

Dave remarked that he would like to talk though these ideas a bit more. He agrees that having partners for events is a good thing, especially since our chapter is small, with only about 100 members. He would also like to offer ethics in government as a topic for us to consider, as well as performance measurement and data-based programming. Dave added that Michael Jacobson would know more on these topics

Mary added this link as a reference to Michael Jacobson, who has been a strong ASPA Evergreen Chapter support: <https://kcemployees.com/2017/06/28/michael-jacobson-named-chair-of-the-aspas-center-for-accountability-and-performance/>

Dave asked if King County has an Ethics Officer. Tricia said she believes it does. This may be worth finding out, since the City of Seattle has one.

Nicole presented an idea for a panel with a Seattle/King County ethics person, and someone from a Legislative Ethics Board. Tricia commented that this would be a good idea for 2019.

In terms of next steps, Mary commented that we typically form committees to work on particular events. Aye Nay said she was grateful for this comment, as it was the first she’s heard lately about committees. Also, if there are additional ideas, AyeNay would like to hear them. Tricia said she would like to flush out these idea more before forming committees.

Dave mentioned that we have had successful events in the past in conjunction with Public Service Recognition Week at the Governor’s Mansion and a hotel in Tacoma. (Next year, the official week is May 5-11, 2019). Mary agreed that although a public service awards event is a lot of work, we should consider hosting one, as the last one we had was in 2017.

For many years we also partnered with the Mariners to honor public service on a game night. Dave said that we would need a new coordinator to resurrect this event.

Chuck recalled something similar: an awards event at the Governor’s Mansion, followed by recognition at a Mariners game. Mary clarified that this is actually something her office coordinates in conjunction with Volunteer Week, and a Salute to Volunteers (in April).

Dave informed the board that we have had a small partnership with Seattle’s City Club. It’s $250 a year. Kevin offered to call City Club leaders in the near future, as they are going through a leadership change, currently. After a discussion, we might have more information to help us decide whether to continue the partnership as it is now.

1. Comments and Announcements

Dave commented that Cliff was not at our in-person meeting, nor in this call. It might be good to reach out to him.

Mary mentioned that Mark Sullivan’s father had recently passed away. Please keep Mark and his family in your thoughts.

Tricia thanked AyeNay for creating the call option we used today. Tricia also thanked everyone for responding to the survey for a standard meeting time. She has chosen the 4th Friday of the month at 4:00 p.m. as we move forward.

Mary remarked that the board often gets together in December or early January to celebrate the holidays. This may be difficult for us this year, however, after Chuck said he would be in New Zealand from Dec. 12-25; Tricia offered that she would be gone to Guinea, Africa from the 13th to the 26th; and AyeNay added that she will be going to Ethiopia, January 1-19.

1. Adjournment

Tricia adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m. Our next meeting will be by conference call on Friday, November 30 at 4:00 p.m.

*Minutes prepared by Mary Van Verst*